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BEGIN SUMMARY. AT DPC MINISTERIAL JUNE 14, MINISTERS ACCEPTED  
MILITARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ON REORGANIZATION OF ALLIED  
AIR FORCES IN CENTRAL EUROPE; TOOK NOTE OF STATEMENTS BY  
CHAIRMAN, MILITARY COMMITTEE, THE NETHERLANDS REP AND  
THE US REP; AND INSTRUCTED MILITARY AUTHORITIES TO TAKE NECESSARY  
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ACTION TO IMPLEMENT THE MC OUTLINE PLAN. END SUMMARY.

1. AT DPC MINISTERIAL ON JUNE 14, SYG LUNS INTRODUCED THIS  
ITEM BY RECALLING PREVIOUS WORK BY MILITARY COMMITTEE AND

THE PERMREP EXCHANGE OF VIEW AT DPC MEETING JUNE 6.

2. CHAIRMAN, MILITARY COMMITTEE ( ADM HILL-NORTON)  
EXPRESSED HOPE THAT MINISTERS WOULD BE PLEASED WITH MC PLAN  
TO REORGANIZE ALLIED AIR FORCES IN CENTRAL REGION. HE  
EMPHASIZED THAT AGREEMENT WAS ACHIEVED AFTER VERY LONG AND  
DIFFICULT NEGOTIATIONS, STATING MANY VIEWS WERE COMPROMISED TO  
REACH AGREEMENT AND STRESSING MUCH REMAINED TO BE DONE.

3. NETHERLANDS REP( HARTOGH) EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH  
AGREEMENT REACHED AT DPC JUNE6. HE PLEDGED FULL SUPPORT  
AND COOPERATION, AGREEING TO ACTIVATION OF INITIAL HEADQUARTERS  
AT RAMSTEIN AND THE PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS LOCATION AT  
BRUNSSUM. HARTOGH CAUTIONED AGAINST UNNECESSARILY ABSORBING  
FUNDS AT THE TEMPORARY SITE SINCE THIS MIGHT JEOPARDIZE  
EVENTUAL ESTABLISHMENT OF A PERMANENT AIR HEADQUARTERS AT  
BRUNSSUM. FINALLY, HE HOPED THAT THE NEW HEADQUARTERS COULD  
BE ESTABLISHED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. IN A BRIEF STATEMENT, US SECDEF REP (ELLSWORTH ) SAID HE  
WISHED TO MAKE ABSOLUTELY CLEAR US CONDITIONS FOR APPROVING  
PLAN, WHICH ARE AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE: FIRST, THE MANNING AND  
FUNDING FOR HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED AIR FORCES CENTRAL EUROPE  
MUST, FROM THE OUTSET, BE SUFFICIENT TO ENSURE THAT AAFCE  
BECOMES A DYNAMIC, INFLUENTIAL ORGANIZATION. WEAK AAFCE  
WOULD NOT SERVE THE INTERESTS OF ANY OF US; IT WOULD BE A WASTE  
OF RESOURCES. SECOND, US SUPPORT FOR RELOCATION TO BRUNSSUM IS  
CONTINGENT UPON COMMITMENTS OF THE NECESSARY FUNDS, MANPOWER,  
FACILITIES AND SUPPORTING SERVICES TO ENSURE UNDIMINISHED  
AAFCE CAPABILITY, AS DETERMINED BY SACEUR. FINALLY, MR  
CHAIRMAN, WE VIEW THE SUGGESTED TIMETABLE FOR COMPLETING A  
NEW HEADQUARTERS BUILDING AT BRUNSSUM AS UNREALISTIC WITHOUT  
A DETAILED DEFINITION OF AAFCE REQUIREMENTS AT BRUNSSUM AND  
A FIRM NATO COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE THOSE REQUIREMENTS. UNQUOTE

5. SYG LUNS CONCLUDED DISCUSSION BY NOTING MINISTERIAL  
ACCEPTANCE OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AND  
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STATEMENTS JUST MADE. HE INSTRUCTED THE NATO MILITARY  
AUTHORITIES TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO IMPLEMENT THE MC  
PLAN. MCAULIFFE

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